

19 September 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Soviet Long Term Exchange Proposal and US Intelligence Position Thereon

25X1A9a 1. The question of the US exchanging technical delegations with the USSR has again come to the fore as a result of a recent Soviet note. (See attached memorandum from [REDACTED] The new proposal differs from former proposals mainly in that the length of stay would be 3 - 6 months. The EIC Subcommittee on Electric Power and Solid Fuels has been asked to set forth the position of the intelligence community on exchanges in the fields of its responsibility.

2. Extensive discussions on electric power delegation exchanges took place in early 1956 and resulted in a meeting 7 Mar 56, the minutes of which were sent to Subcommittee members 14 Mar 56. Discussions with regard to solid fuels took place shortly thereafter. The results were reported in a Subcommittee memorandum of 1 Jun 56. These previous discussions have been the basis for the present proposed intelligence community position.

3. A proposed US intelligence community position with regard to exchanges in the fields of electric power and solid fuels is appended in the form of a draft reply to [REDACTED] Secretary, Ad Hoc Committee on Exchanges. 25X1A9a It should be noted that this memorandum does not propose itineraries or membership for the delegations. These details would be established later, and with full protection to the US interest both in areas to be visited and in the selection of US delegates to maximize any US advantage from the exchange.

4. It is requested that the members of the Subcommittee review the enclosed memoranda. Because of the short deadline for submission of the subcommittee position to the IAC Ad Hoc Committee on Exchanges, it is suggested that members call the Secretary [REDACTED] Code 143, x2250) concerning any changes, deletions, or additions they care to make. This should be done by 1200 Wednesday, 25 September 1957. 25X1A9a

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Electric Power and Solid Fuels